

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend original claims 1-6 as follows:

1. (Amended) A voltage intermediate circuit converter comprising a 12-pulse input converter having two converter elements, a voltage intermediate circuit having two capacitors connected electrically in series, and a machine-side three-point pulse-controlled converter, wherein the two converter elements are electrically conductively connected on a DC-side to a capacitor in the voltage intermediate circuit, and wherein the converter elements have a self-commutated pulse-controlled converter.
2. (Amended) The voltage intermediate circuit converter according to claim 1, wherein the self-commutated pulse-controlled converters are each three-point pulse-controlled converters.
3. (Amended) The voltage intermediate circuit converter according to claim 1, wherein each capacitor in the voltage intermediate circuit is split, with one capacitor being associated with the machine-side three-point pulse-controlled converter, and two capacitors being associated with a pulse-controlled converter in the input converter.
4. (Amended) The voltage intermediate circuit converter according to claim 1, further comprising a number of series-connected active converter devices in the self-commutated pulse-controlled converters in the input converter and a number of series-connected active converter devices in the machine-side three-point pulse-controlled converter, said number of active converter devices in the self-commutated pulse-

controlled converter being equal to the number of active converter devices in the machine-side three-point pulse-controlled converter.

5. (Amended) The voltage intermediate circuit converter according to claim 4, wherein the number of series-connected active converter devices in the self-commutated pulse-controlled converters in the input converter is one less than the number of series-connected active converter devices in the machine-side three-point pulse-controlled converter.

6. (Amended) The voltage intermediate circuit converter according to claim 4, wherein high-voltage insulated gate bipolar transistors are provided as active converter devices of the self-commutated pulse-controlled converters in the input converter and in the machine-side three-point pulse-controlled converter.